

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT (B) 2020

Hymns are only given here to accompany the on-line Celebration of Mass during the covid-19 Pandemic.

Unless otherwise stated all hymns are taken from our parish hymn books,

'Laudate,' and 'Hymns Old & New,' and my own hymn book collections.

Entrance:

*Lift up, you gates, lift up your arches: Let the King of glory come!
Lift up, your hearts, and sing you people: Let the King of glory come!*

Come, O come, Emmanuel! Come and dwell with us!
Come, O come, you Lord of might: Banish death and fear!

Come, O come, bright Wisdom: Come and make us wise!
Come, O come, you Dayspring: Love, uncloseth our eyes!

Come, you Key of David, come: Open our heavenly home!
Come, Desire of nations, come: Bring us into your peace!

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE:

Maranatha! Come, O Christ, the Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Samuel 7:1-5.8-12.14.16.

Psalm: - *Psalm 88: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.*

Second Reading: The First Letter of St Paul to the Romans 16:25-27

Alleluia. **Gospel:** Luke 1:26-38 **Homily.** **Creed.**

Prayer of the Faithful:

In your mercy, we pray... **R/. Come, O Christ, the Lord.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts: Hymns Old & New. No 646

The Angel Gabriel from heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame.
'All hail,' said he, 'thou lowly maiden, Mary,
most highly favoured lady.' Gloria!

‘For, know, a blessed mother thou shalt be.
All generations laud and honour thee.
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favoured lady.’ Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head.
‘To me be as it pleaseth God,’ she said.
‘My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name.’
Most highly favoured lady. Gloria!

Communion: Celebration Hymnal for Everyone. No 217

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and the time is growing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where-e’er man’s foot hath trod,
by the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God.
‘Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.’

What can we do to work God’s work to prosper and increase
the kinship of humanity, the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious Gospel of truth may shine throughout the world.
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional: Laudate. No 126

A noble flow’r of Juda from tender roots has sprung,
A rose from stem of Jesse, as prophets long had sung;
A blossom fair and bright, that in the midst of winter did change to dawn our night.

This rose of grace and beauty of which Isaiah sings,
is Mary, maiden Mother and Christ the flow’r she brings.
By God’s divine decree, she bore our loving Saviour, who died to set us free.

To Mary, dearest Mother, with fervent hearts we pray:
grant that your tender infant will cast our sins away,
and guide us with his love that we shall ever serve him and live with him above.